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**REMARKS**

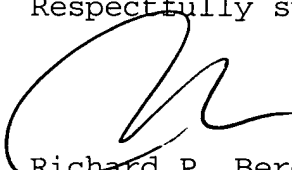
This Preliminary Amendment amends the original claims to remove reference numerals in accordance with standard U.S. practice. Original Claims 4-9 have been amended to produce new amended claims that are not multiply dependent in order to reduce official fees. Once examination on the merits has begun, the Applicant may elect to amend currently amended Claims 4-9 to make these claims multiply dependent or to add additional claims to this application to provide coverage similar to, broader than, or narrower than the present claims.

The specification of the subject application has been amended to clarify the brief descriptions of Figure 3a, 3b, 4a, and 4b.

The abstract has also been amended to delete reference numerals.

Amendment of the subject application is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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